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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant(s) respectfully submit the following information disclosure statement.

At this time applicant identifies a number of copending U.S. non-provisional applications as being related applications and has inserted a "Cross-Reference to Related Applications" in the present application identifying those applications and publications thereof. Applicant is providing copies of the existing PCT and US publications. This "Cross Reference to Related Applications" is provided in an amendment accompanying the Information Disclosure Statement.

With respect to each of the related applications identified in the "Cross-Reference to Related Applications," applicant is disclosing herewith the following and, to the extent required, is submitting a copy of each:

- 1) In each U.S. non-provisional application and patent, each of the Office Actions and responses in the related applications and patents;
- 2) Pending claims in the application if not shown in the most recent response by applicant;
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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner initial the cited references on the enclosed form PTO-1449 and that it be made of record in the application and that a copy of the initialed form Respectfully submitted,

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## SUPPLEMENTAL SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Cross-References to Related Applications and Patents

The present application is related to United States Non-Provisional Patent Application S.N. 10/474,387, entitled "High Quality Time-Scaling and Pitch-Scaling of Audio Signals," by Brett Graham Crockett, filed October 7, 2003, published as US 2004/0122662 on June 24, 2004, Attorneys' docket DOL07503 US. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 02/084645 A2 on October 24, 2002.

The present application is also related to United States Non-Provisional Patent Application S.N. 10/476,347, entitled "Improving Transient Performance of Low Bit Rate Audio Coding Systems by Reducing Pre-Noise," by Brett Graham Crockett, filed October 28, 2003, Attorneys' docket DOL091 US, published as US 2004/0133423 on July 8, 2004, now U.S. Patent 7,313,519. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 02/093560 on November 21, 2002.

The present application is also related to United States Non-Provisional Patent Application S.N. 10/478,397, entitled "Comparing Audio Using Characterizations Based on Auditory Events," by Brett Graham Crockett and Michael John Smithers, filed November 20, 2003, Attorneys' docket DOL092 US, published as 2004/0172240 on September 2, 2004, now U. S. Patent 7,283,954. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 02/097790 on December 5, 2002.

The present application is also related to United States Non-Provisional Patent Application S.N. 10/474,398, entitled "Method for Time Aligning Audio Signals using Characterizations Based on Auditory Events," by Brett Graham Crockett and Michael John Smithers, filed November 20, 2003, Attorneys' dockets DOL09201 US, published as US 2004-0148159 on July 29, 2004. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 02/097791 on December 5, 2002.

The present application is also related to United States Non-Provisional Patent Application S.N.10/478,538, entitled "Segmenting Audio Signals into Auditory Events," by Brett Graham Crockett, filed November 20, 2003, Attorneys' docket DOL098 US, published as US 2004/0165730 on August 26, 2004. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 02/097792 on December 5, 2002.

The present application is also related to United States Non-Provisional Patent Application S.N.10/911,404, entitled "Method for Combining Audio Signals Using Auditory Scene Analysis,"

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by Michael John Smithers, filed August 3, 2004, Attorneys' docket DOL147, published as US/2006/0029239 on February 9, 2006. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 2006/019719 on February 23, 2006.

The present application is also related to United States Non-Provisional Patent Application S. N. 11/999,159, entitled "Channel Reconfiguration with Side Information," by Alan Jeffrey Seefeldt, Mark Stuart Vinton and Charles Quito Robinson, filed December 3, 2007, Attorneys' docket DOL16101 US. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 2006/0132857 on December 14, 2006.

The present application is also related to PCT Application (designating the U.S.) S.N. PCT/2006/028874, entitled "Controlling Spatial Audio Coding Parameters as a Function of Auditory Events," by Alan Jeffrey Seefeldt and Mark Stuart Vinton, filed July 24, 2006, Attorneys' docket DOL16301 PCT. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 07/016107 on February 8, 2007.

The present application is also related to PCT Application (designating the U.S.), S.N. PCT/2007/008313, entitled "Audio Gain Control Using Specific-Loudness-Based Auditory Event Detection," by Brett Graham Crockett and Alan Jeffrey Seefeldt, filed March 30, 2007, Attorneys' docket DOL186 PCT. The PCT counterpart application was published as WO 2007/127023 on November 8, 2007.

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